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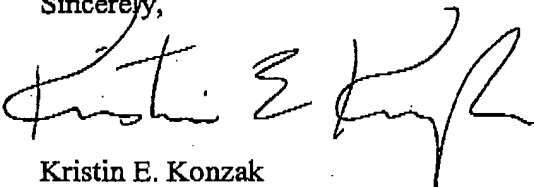
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RE: USSN 09/662,783 filed September 12, 2000

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Sincerely,



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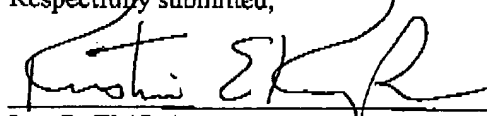
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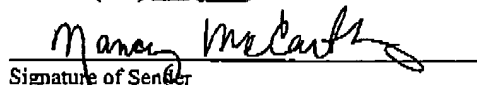


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